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CANNING STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING CATALYTIC

CONVERTER USING THE CANNING STRUCTURE

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

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In reply to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment mailed July 12, 2004, enclosed is a new set of claims wherein the changes in claim directed to removing a comma (twice) are indicated in double brackets.

Continued examination of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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